GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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Bottled Drinking Water
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government has conducted any study on the quality of bottled drinking water available in the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether as per the survey conducted by the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, certain carcinogens found in the bottled drinking water samples in Mumbai;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)
(a): No such study has been conducted by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India.
(b) to (d): A study has been carried out by the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC) for determination of bromide, bromate, chlorite and chlorate in packaged drinking water. Based on the result of this study, the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) had requested BARC to analyse bromate in packaged drinking water samples from various locations across India. Samples from different parts of the country were analysed at BARC. The result on analysis of bromated carried out at BARC in Packaged Drinking Water samples was presented at 23rd meeting of Drinks and Drinking Water Sectional Committee held on 20.05.2015 at BIS Headquarters, New Delhi.
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